## **Deceased Employee Action**

Transaction Code: PA40

**Purpose** Use this procedure to process payments for a deceased employee using the

Separation Action.

**Trigger** Perform this procedure when you have received a death certificate for an

employee.

**Prerequisites** The death date is known. Remove any time and compensation entries past the date

of death. See Helpful Hints below for additional information before beginning the

action.

**End User Roles** In order to perform this transaction you must be assigned the following role:

Personnel Administrator Processor, Payroll Processor Time and Attendance

Processor and Benefits Processor

<b>Change History</b>	Change Description		
8/16/06	Procedure created.		
12/15/08	Procedure updated to include additional information in the Prerequisites and Helpful Hints sections. User roles have been identified. Overall process has been updated.		
9/14/2009	Note added to step 23 re the bond deduction. Added detail of which date to enter when delimiting.		

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# Related links: Office of Financial Management (OFM) payroll Resources (#8 on page) http://www.ofm.wa.gov/resources/payroll.asp and Policy 25.70 Payment Methods http://www.ofm.wa.gov/policy/25.70.htm Related links: Department of Retirement Systems (DRS) Employer Support Services.

HRMS only sends status codes A and B to DRS. Annual leave buyouts should be reported as status codes N for non-retirees or T (up to 240 hours) for retirees. Excess vacation leave cash buyouts for retirees should be reported using status code U. After the information is sent to DRS, you will have to go to DRS Web-based Services to logon, create and submit a report via the Web-Based Employer Transmittal (WBET) application. Change the status code on the leave buyouts to N, T or U. For more information on this process contact DRS.

• If the employee has active status in multiple (concurrent) positions they will need to be separated from each position.



- Delete any entries past the death date from infotypes such as Employee Remuneration Info (2010) or Absences (2001).
  - o Determine if the employee entitled to an accrual.
  - Verify any leave has been entered for the pay period.
  - PT50 and ZCAT6 should be run on the employee to make sure the employee has the correct leave balance when compensating for unused leave.

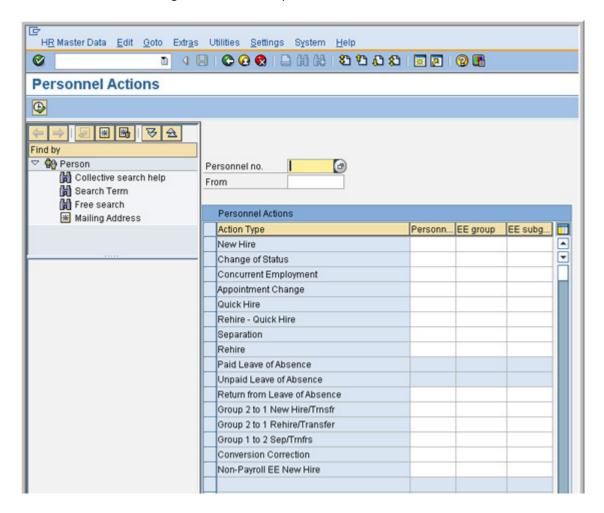
The system may display three types of messages at various points in the process. The messages you see may differ from those shown on screen shots in this procedure. The types of messages and responses are shown below:

Message Type	Description		
Error	Example: Make an entry in all required fields.  Action: Fix the problem(s) and then click (Enter) to validate and proceed.		
Warning	Example: Record valid from xx/xx/xxxx to 12/31/9999 delimited at end.  Action: If an action is required, perform the action. Otherwise, click  (Enter) to validate and proceed.		
Confirmation or	Example: Save your entries.  Action: Perform the required action to proceed.		



# **Procedure**

1. Start the transaction using the above menu path or transaction code **PA40**.

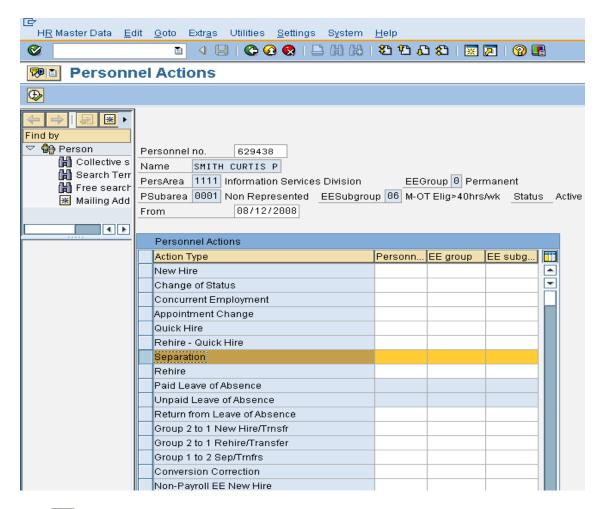


2. Complete the following fields:

R=Required Entry O=Optional Entry C=Conditional Entry					
Field Name	R/O/C	Description			
Personnel no.	R	The employee's unique identifying number.			
		<b>Example</b> : 629438			
From	R	The effective date for the action.  The date entered here is the employee's last working day they should be compensated for.			
		<b>Example</b> : The employee's date of death is 8/12/2008.			
		Enter 8/12/2008 in the From field.			



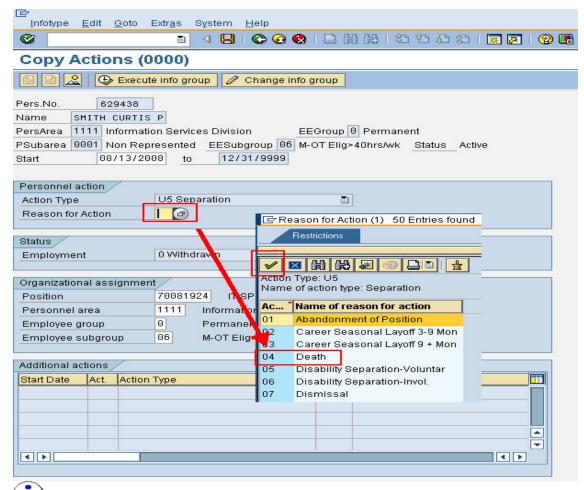
- 3. Click (Enter) to validate the information. Verify you have accessed the correct employee record.
- 4. Select the blue box to the left of Separation to select.



5. Click (Execute) to begin the separation action.



6. In the **Reason for Action** field, click (Matchcode) to open the selection list. Select the reason code of **04 Death**.



Notice the **Start** date has been changed to 08/13/2008, one day after the date of death. This indicates the first day the employee is placed into withdrawn status.

- 7. In the Selection list, click (Enter) to continue.
- 8. Click (Enter) to validate the information.



You may receive a Warning or Error message(s) in the status bar. Below are three examples.

This error message is generated because the employee has time entries that occur after the separation date. These will need to be deleted before continuing the action.

Employee 629438 has 4 future CATS entries, Please Delete

HINT: Open a new window to delete the entries without leaving your Separation action.

This warning is generated because we are processing this employee's separation in a prior payroll 

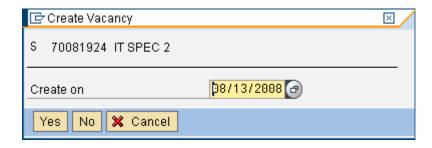
Enter data for payroll past (retroactive accounting)

After clicking 

(Enter) to continue, another warning message was received letting us know that the active *Actions* (0000) infotype is being delimited.

Personnel Action we are performing now is creating a new Action (0000) infotype with a start date of 08/13/2008 placing the employee in withdrawn *Status*, with a *Reason for action* type of Death.

- 9. Click (Save) to save.
  - A **Create Vacancy** message screen will appear if the position is vacant.



Perform one of the following:

If	Then
The position is not filled	Click Yes
The position is multi-filled	Click No

- 10. Click (Enter) to validate the information.
- 11. Click (Save) to save.



For the *Personnel Administration Processor*, this will mark the end of the Separation Action. After saving, click (Exit) to exit the action and transfer the Separation Information Packet to the *Payroll Processor* who will complete the action.

If you also have the **Payroll Processor** role, then you may skip this step and continue to the next infotype (step 18).

The *Payroll Processor* will need to verify and correct quota balances before starting their portion of the Separation Action.

The **Payroll Processor** begins the action from Personnel Actions (PA40), and enters the employee's personnel number.

Do not put a "from" date in the field prior to executing the transaction. If you entered a "from" date click (back) and delete the date.

- 13. Click (Enter) to validate the information.
- 14. Select the blue box to the left of Separation to select.
- 15. Click (Execute) to execute the separation action.
- 16. From Change Actions (0000), click Execute info group
  - An **Information** message screen will appear. Click (Enter) to continue.





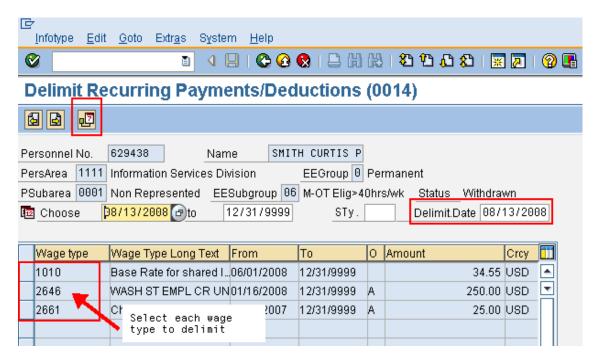
17. An Execute info group pop up box will appear "Warning: Personnel action infotype not saved with 'execute info group' function! Click Continue (Continue) to continue.



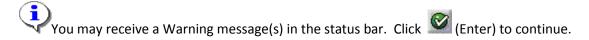
The **Personnel Processor** has already saved this infotype so it is ok to continue.

- 18. If the employee has recurring deductions, you will be taken to the *Delimit Recurring Payments/Deduction* (0014) infotype.
- 19. Click the blue box to the left of the payment or deduction to delimit.

If there are multiple payments or deductions to delimit, they may all be selected at this time and this will delimit everything in one step.

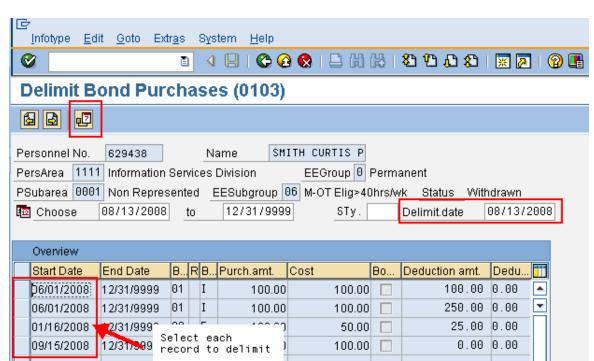


20. Click [1] (Delimit) to assign the delimitation date to the record(s).



21. If the employee purchases Bonds, you will be taken to the *Delimit Bond Purchases* (0103) infotype.



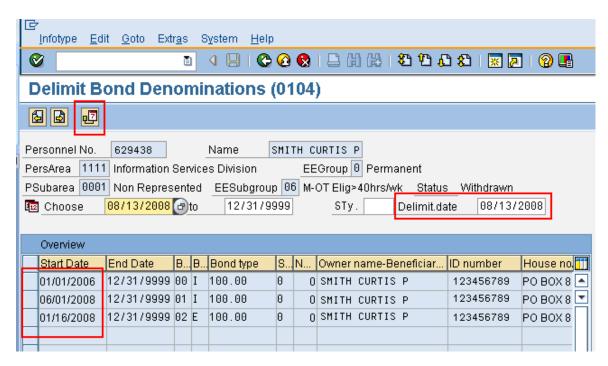


22. Click the blue box to the left of the record(s) to delimit.

- 23. Click (Delimit) to assign the delimitation date to the record.
  - If the bond deduction is the **exact** amount to purchase a bond with no remaining balance, you will want to **end date the record as stated above**. If there will be a **reserve balance**, you will want to **end date the record effective the last day of the prior pay period**.
  - You may receive a Warning message(s) in the status bar. Click (Enter) to continue.
- 24. If the employee purchases bonds, you will be taken to the *Delimit Bond Denominations* (0104) infotype.



25. Click the blue box to the left of the record(s) to delimit.



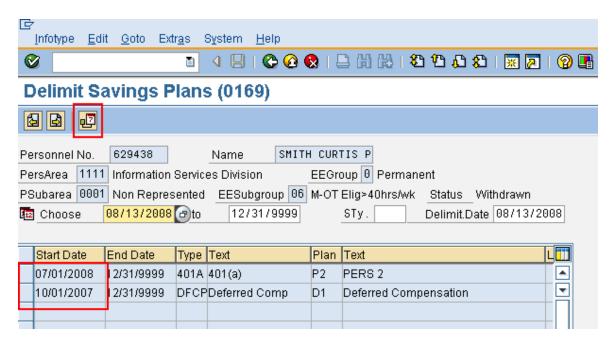
26. Click (Delimit) to assign the delimitation date to the record.

You may receive a Warning message(s) in the status bar. Click 💜 (Enter) to continue.

27. This will take you to the *Delimit Savings Plans* (0169) infotype.



28. Click the blue box to the left of the plan(s) to delimit. If there is other savings plans (i.e. deferred compensation) select all plans and this will delimit everything in one step.



29. Click (Delimit) to assign the delimitation date to the record. The delimit date will be the **last** day of the **pay period.** 

Health Insurance will need to be terminated in the PAY1 system. Use the A.41 screen and enter an 'N' in the ELIG CODE field and in the ELIG EFF DATE field enter the last day of the month in which the employee last had eight hours of pay status. Press F10 to update.

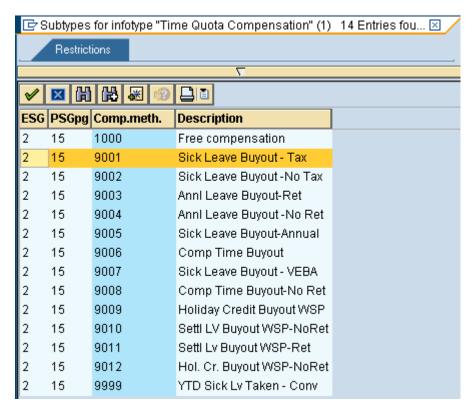
PAY1 will update HRMS with the delimit date.

You may receive a Warning message(s) in the status bar. Click (Enter) to continue.



30. A Subtypes for infotype "Time Quota Compensation" pop up box will appear. Click the appropriate quota type to be compensated to select.

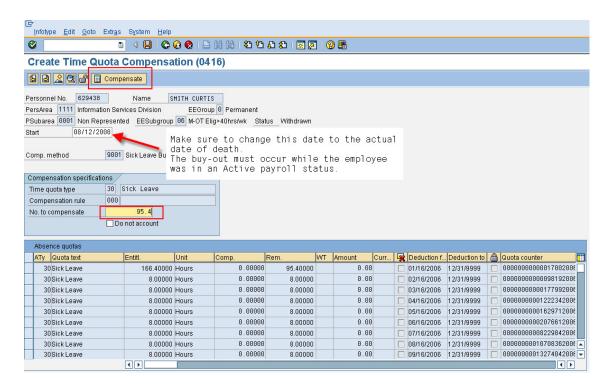
Before processing the buy-out for the employee, verify all leave taken and hours worked was entered into CATS. Run the ZCAT6 transaction to update HRMS. If the employee did not receive their accruals and is entitled, create a Quota Correction for the employee.



31. Click (Copy) to accept.



32. In the **No. to compensate** box, enter the number of hours to compensate for the leave type chosen.



**VERY IMPORTANT**: If this is not dated correctly, the quota compensation will not be paid out and will have to be corrected after the fact.

- 33. On the toolbar, click Compensate to process the compensation.
- 34. Click (Enter) to validate the information.
- 35. Click (Save) to save.

You can only buyout one type of quota during the PA40 action. If an employee has additional quota balances to buy out, you will do this at the end of the PA40 action. Use the PA30 transaction code and create a new *Time Quota Compensation* (0416) infotype.

This completes the payroll portion of the PA40 action. There following infotypes will be updated using PA30 Maintain HR Master Data.



- 36. Click C (Back) to return to the PA40 Actions screen. Type /nPA30 into the command field.
- Click (Enter) to validate the information and be taken to the Maintain HR Master Data screen.
- 38. Click the **Payroll** tab Payroll to select.
- 39. Click the blue box to the left of Bank Details to select

If the employee's paycheck is automatically deposited (ACH) with their financial institution, their *Bank Details* (0009) infotype needs to be delimited and a new *Bank Details* (0009) record for a warrant to be printed for the final payment will need to be created. If the employee already receives a warrant skip ahead to step 52.

40. Click [40] (Delimit) to assign an end date to the Bank Details (0009) infotype.



- 41. Enter the date of death for the employee plus one day.
  - For example, the employee's date of death is 8/12/2008, enter the delimit date of 8/13/2008.
- 42. Click (Transfer (Enter)) to continue.
- 43. Click (Save) to save.
- 44. Click the blue box to the left of \_\_\_\_Withholding Info W4W5 US to select.
- 45. Click (Copy) to copy and continue.



#### 46. Complete the following fields:

R=Required Entry O=Optional Entry C=Conditional Entry					
Field Name	R/O/C	Description			
Start	R	The start date of the record.  Enter the day <i>after</i> the last <b>pay date</b> .  Example: The employee died on 8/12/2008. Enter 8/11/2008 as the start date.			
То	R	The end date of the record.  Enter the next pay date.  Example: 8/25/2008			

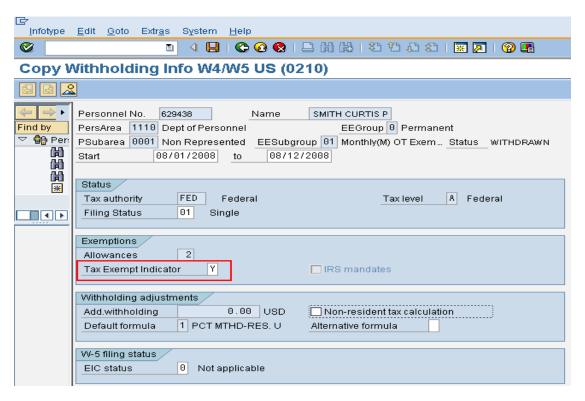
- 47. Click in the **Tax Exempt Indicator** field and the click (Matchcode) to open the selection list.
- 48. Click on Y to select and click (Continue) to continue.

Using Tax Exempt indicator Y will make the wages exempt from taxation and not reportable to the IRS.

Using Tax Exempt indicator R will make the wages exempt from taxation and earnings are reported to the IRS.

If payment is made in the year after the date of death, you may need to establish the Fed Sub type excluding the OASI and Medicare from EE and ER. Refer to OFM's <a href="State Administrative">State Administrative</a> and <a href="Accounting Manual">Accounting Manual</a> (SAAM) for current regulations.





- 49. Click (Enter) to validate the information.
- 50. Click (Save) to save.

If time or compensation entries were made in advance for *Employee Remuneration Info* (2010) or *Absences* (2001) those records dated after the death date should be deleted.

If time or compensation entries were made in advance in CATS for this employee, go to CATS (/nCAT2) and delete any records dated after the death date.

51. You have completed this transaction.

### Results

You have successfully separated a deceased employee, delimited any recurring payments, delimited their retirement benefits, compensated them for unused leave, and deleted any time or compensation entries past the death date.

#### **Comments**

None.

